

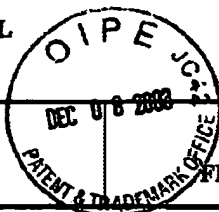
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Small Entity)**

Docket No.
2871

In Re Application Of: **OTIS FRANKLIN BELL**

Serial No.
10/082,598

Filing Date
02/22/2002



Examiner
FLETCHER III,

Group Art Unit
1762

Invention: METHOD OF TEMPORARILY PROTECTING A SURFACE BY APPLICATION OF A COATING COMPOSITION HAVING A CARBOXYLIC ACID CONTAINING POLYMER FILM FORMING COMPONENT

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 08/13/2003 in the above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☒ One month ☐ Two months ☐ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: NOVEMBER 13, 2003
Date


until: DECEMBER 13, 2003
Date

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is \$55 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-0114
☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 08-0114


Signature

Dated: **DECEMBER 4, 2003**

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on 12/04/2003 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.


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